

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 19, 2018
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT OGLESBY

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK CAPASSO:

“IN COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, AND POSTED, THAT A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE NINETEENTH DAY OF APRIL, 2018, WITH THE WORK SESSION TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. AND THE REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AT THE LAKEHURST COMMUNITY CENTER, 207 CENTER STREET, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED.”

ROLL CALL:

ROBIN BUSCH: PRESENT	GARY LOWE: PRESENT
JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT	ROBERT McCARTHY: PRESENT
PATRICIA HODGES: PRESENT	STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT
MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: ABSENT	

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Deputy Municipal Clerk Capasso reviewed regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:35

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Time closed: 7:35

ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION:

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Patricia Hodges
To adjourn work session. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by: Robert McCarthy Seconded by: Patricia Hodges
To approve minutes of April 5, 2018 Regular Meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative with the exception of Councilman Davis who abstained due to his absence at the meeting of April 5, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters to be considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. #18-075: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
2. #18-076: Resolution re: Employment Hiring Practices
3. #18-077: Resolution re: Appointment of Sonnie Higgins as Public Works Laborer
4. #18-078: Resolution re: Appointment of Richard Bloschock as Public Works Laborer

CORRESPONDENCE:

Request to serve alcoholic beverages at a private event at the Community Center on May 26, 2018

ORDINANCES APPROVED ON FIRST READING:

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, AMENDING CHAPTER II, SECTION 2-10 POLICE DEPARTMENT” (#18-04)

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, REAPPROPRIATING THE FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS” (#18-05)

Motion by: Patricia Hodges Seconded by: James Davis
To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported that Family Game Night was a success. About 30 people attended, both parents and kids. Mrs. Hodges gave kudos to Eileen Robbins and Maryanne Capasso for setting up, to Jermaine Jackson for getting the food, and to NovaCare representatives for entertaining the children as well as playing games. Mrs. Hodges added next event is Zumba Night, May 15th at the Community Center from 5pm to 8pm.

Councilwoman Busch reported that we will not be able to apply for the grant for forestry this year but are in the process applying for next year. First step is to apply for the Green Community Grant, second is training. Public Works Supervisor Dave Winton will be doing that this May along with one volunteer.

Councilman Lowe reported the Lakehurst Volunteer Fire Company picked up their new firetruck and added he saw it and was impressed with it.

Councilman Davis reported that the Community Garden Committee will be getting together shortly, no set date yet for Grand Opening. Mr. Davis also added that residents who are interested can sign up at Borough Hall.

Mr. Davis also reported planning for the Historical Society's Fourth of July Car Show is under way.

Councilman McCarthy reported that he attended the Board of Education meeting on April 18, 2018. The district's monthly bill as of April 17, 2018 totals \$1,238,723. Mr. McCarthy added in regards to Policy 511, resident/non-resident eligibility, explanation was given by the Superintendent and assistant Superintendent on the district's current enrollment practices, including military and staff along with monetary impact.

Mr. McCarthy also reported 2018/2019 school year contracts to be offered to existing staff members were approved as well as multiple professional development and student field trips.

Mr. McCarthy added that he, Councilman Oglesby, and the Public Safety Committee had an Office of Emergency Management meeting yesterday where they discussed having an active shooter drill along with the police department. The drill will take place at Lakehurst Elementary School during the summer. Mr. McCarthy added there were also talks about replacing the radios.

Councilman Oglesby added that right now the radio frequency band, 500mhz, is crowded and that there is a national mandate that they go to 700 MHz, with problem being that it can cost anywhere from \$5,000 to \$8,000. Mr. Oglesby added there is a grant that comes from Oyster Creek Nuclear Plant but they are awarding fewer grants as the funding is limited.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:53

Michelle Dimeo, 300 Poplar Street, expressed concern about vehicles going over the speed limit down Manapaqua Street. She had asked if we can lower the speed limit or put more police officers on the street to deter the vehicles from speeding.

Councilman Oglesby responded that the Mayor and Council have voiced their concerns to the County in the past regarding this issue and added the County, in response, did a feasibility study and the study came back that there was no need to reduce the speed limit. Mr. Oglesby said it would be best if Mrs. Dimeo and other residents voiced their concerns directly to the County themselves.

Administrator Childers gave names and phone numbers of the people to contact to voice their concerns.

Randy Salas, 208 Church Street, has concern regarding Lakehurst Board of Education and money being spent.

Councilman Oglesby responded that concerns should be addressed to the Board of Education.

Time closed: 8:00

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Gary Lowe
To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. Time: 8:00

Maryanne Capasso
Deputy Municipal Clerk